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House Bill 5894 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative John P. Stakoe

House Committee: Commerce

Senate Committee: Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform

## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Forbes Mechanical Contractors Act to do the following:

- -- Require the Department of Labor and Economic Growth (DLEG) to issue an initial or renewal mechanical contractors license within 90 days after an applicant had filed a "completed application" (as defined in the bill).
- -- Require DLEG, within 30 days after receiving an incomplete application, to give the applicant written notice of a deficiency or make the information electronically available.
- -- Require a refund of the license fee if the license were not denied or issued within the 90-day period, and require a discount of 15% of the license fee on the applicant's next renewal application, if any.
- -- Require the DLEG Director to submit an annual report to the appropriate Senate and House committees regarding compliance with the 90-day time limit.

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## FISCAL IMPACT

According to the Department, in FY 2002-03, it collected \$74,680 in new and renewal licensee fee revenue for mechanical contractors. The amount by which this revenue would be reduced would depend on the number of licenses not processed in the given time frame. The bill also would require a report that would include new or additional information not currently collected. The database adjustment required to accommodate this requirement could increase information technology costs.

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